

BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF AUTHORIZING THE) RESOLUTION NO. 18-4908
CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER TO TRANSFER)
PROPERTY TO THE CITY OF GRESHAM) Introduced by Chief Operating Officer Martha
Bennett in concurrence with Council
President Tom Hughes

WHEREAS, Metro owns three small parcels of real property in the City of Gresham, totaling approximately 0.41 acres; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gresham manages two of these three small parcels via an intergovernmental agreement (the “IGA”); and

WHEREAS, the third parcel is approximately 6 feet wide and 55 feet long and adjacent to Metro’s Chastain Creek Natural Area site; and

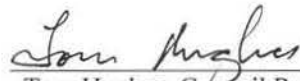
WHEREAS, the City of Gresham is working on a multi-year and multi-phase project to identify property dedications that would streamline right-of-way management, consolidating property in one entity for management purposes, including many parcels that are long one-foot tax lots sometimes referred to as spite strips; and

WHEREAS, through this process the City of Gresham has identified the three parcels that Metro owns and requests that Metro dedicate them as right of way; and

WHEREAS, Metro Parks & Nature has reviewed these three parcels and determined they are not needed to fulfill the mission of the Parks and Nature Department and are difficult to manage, taking time away from necessary park and natural areas tasks; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Metro Council hereby authorizes the Chief Operating Officer to transfer property to the City of Gresham in the locations depicted on the attached Exhibits A-1 and A-2 to this Resolution, on terms approved by the Office of Metro Attorney.

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this 13th day of September, 2018.



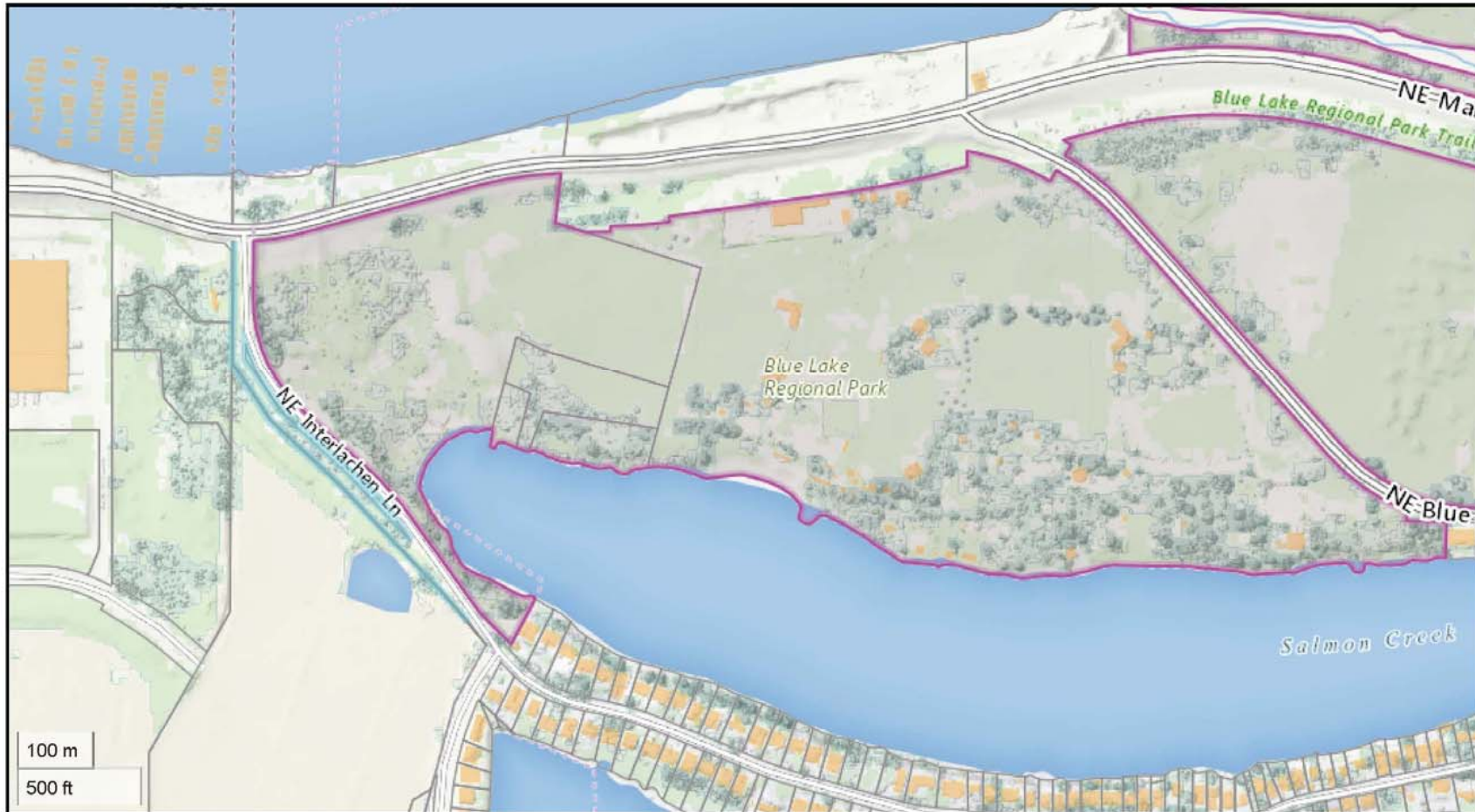
Tom Hughes, Council President

Approved as to Form:



Nathan Sykes, Acting Metro Attorney

Exhibit A-1 to Resolution 18-4908

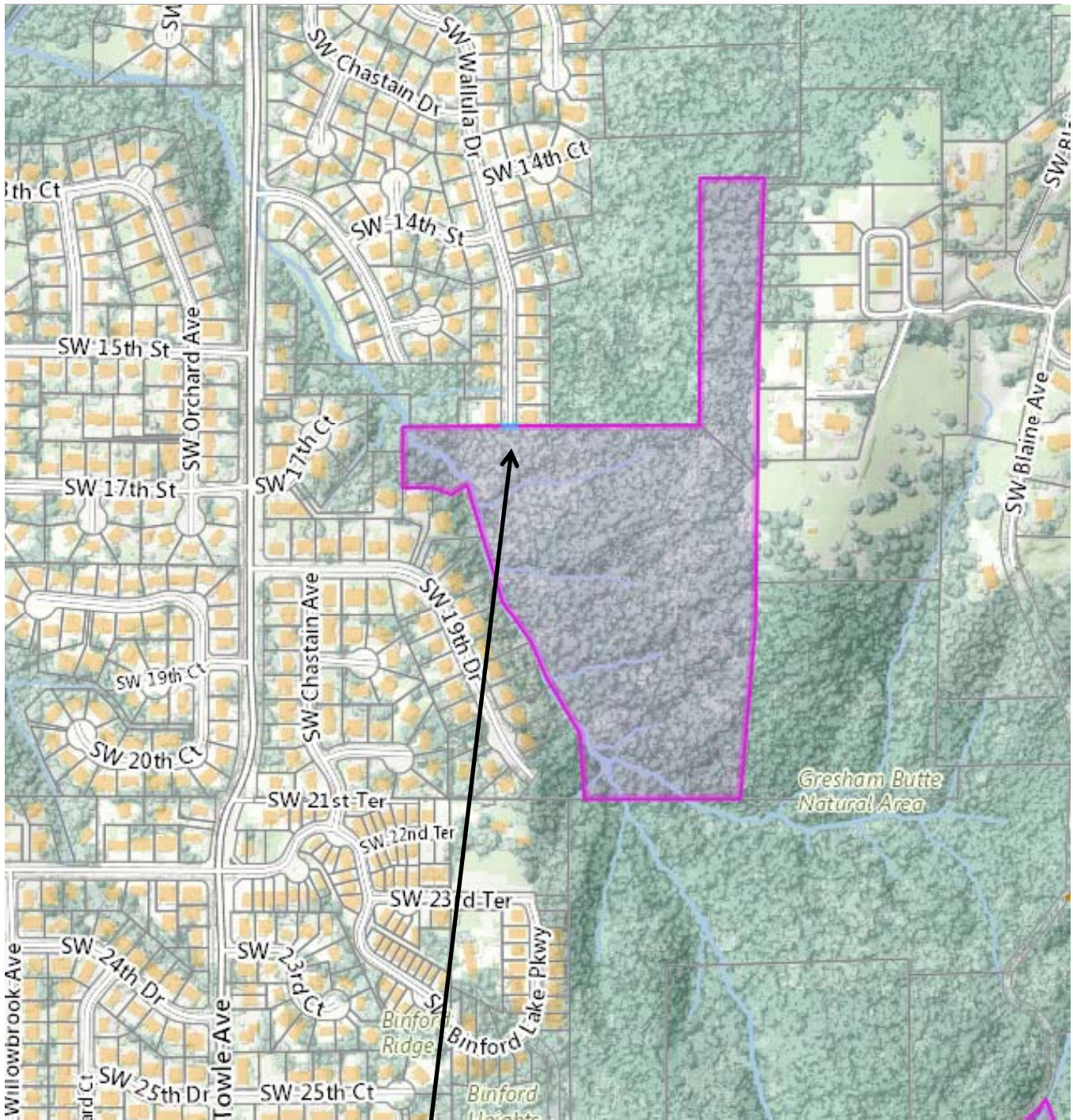


- Sites - Managed by Metro
- Taxlots
- Property to be transferred

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Basemap: Metro Base

Exhibit A-2 to Resolution 18-4908



- Sites - Managed by Metro
- Regional Trail
- Taxlots
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STAFF REPORT

IN CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 18-4908, FOR THE PURPOSE OF AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER TO TRANSFER PROPERTY TO THE CITY OF GRESHAM

Date: September 13, 2018

Prepared by: Shannon Leary, 503-813-7547

BACKGROUND

This Resolution requests Metro Council declare three small parcels surplus and authorize the Chief Operating Officer transfer them to the City of Gresham.

The City of Gresham is working through a multi-year and multi-phase project to acquire property dedications where needed. Many of these parcels include one-foot tax lots, sometimes referred to as spite strips. These small tax lots were used historically to block access to a public street from properties that had not yet developed. Today, these are a relic, and the City of Gresham wishes to clean up these situations by taking ownership.

The City of Gresham has identified three spite strips, totaling 0.41 acres in size, which are currently under Metro ownership as part of the Parks and Nature portfolio. Metro staff have reviewed these small parcels and determined they are not needed to fulfill the mission of the Parks and Nature Department: they are not needed to protect water quality, fish or wildlife habitat or create opportunities to experience nature close to home. They are difficult to manage, taking time from necessary park and natural areas tasks. Therefore, staff recommends approval of this right of way dedication request.

ANALYSIS/INFORMATION

1. Known Opposition

None.

2. Legal Antecedents

1995 Metro Open Spaces Bond Measure approved by voters on May 16, 1995.

Metro Code Section 2.04.050(b), which requires Metro Council authorization for the Chief Operator to transfer interests in real property.

3. Anticipated Effects

Adoption of this Resolution will allow Metro to transfer the identified property to the City of Gresham.

4. Budget Impacts

None; the City will bear all expenses for surveying and recording the deeds, and for future repair and maintenance as part of its property portfolio.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

The Chief Operating Officer recommends approval of Resolution 18-4908.